

Fire Safety Code Board

Of Appeal & Review

Minutes of June 9, 2009 hearing

The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met at their headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Coutu, Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Richard, Jackson, Preiss, Walker, Dias and Filippi. Commissioners Pearson, Jasparro and Blackburn were absent from the hearing. Also present were Executive Director Thomas B. Coffey, Jr. and Deputy Director Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #060898: St. Anthony Knights of Columbus, for the property located at 1 Volturmo Street, North Providence. DSFM Cynthia Dehler appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office and ADSFM Gregory Unsworth and ADSFM John Horan appeared for the North Providence Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Dias and Jackson, to allow the Applicant to maintain the gas stove without a suppression system, provided the stove is utilized only by members for warming of foods and no grease laden vapors are produced. The Applicant is granted a time variance of thirty days in which to prepare and present a plan to the North Providence Fire Marshal's office for the correction of time #5 (paneling) and an additional 120 days in which to make the appropriate correction. This file shall remain open for 120 days. The

motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060852: Mr. Edmund Restivos, for the property located at 1675 Douglas Avenue, North Providence. DSFM Cynthia Dehler appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office and ADSFM Gregory Unsworth and ADSFM John Horan appeared for the North Providence Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Filippi and Richard, to approve the Applicant's plan of action for this facility as presented to the Board. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060872: Presentation Columbus club, for the property located at 15 Basset Street in North Providence. DSFM Cynthia Dehler appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Jackson and Richard, to grant the following relief. The Applicant is granted a time variance of ninety days to prepare and present a plan of action to the SFMO for the installation of sprinklers in this facility, and an additional six months in which to have the sprinkler system installed. The Applicant is granted a time variance of thirty days in which to prepare and present a plan of action to the State Fire Marshal's office for the creation of a second means of egress from the facility, and an additional 120 days to implement that plan. The State Fire Marshal's office is authorized to extend the above time lines for good faith efforts on the part of the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #070528A: Brown University, for the property located at 171 Meeting Street in Providence. ADSFM Richard Silva appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Walker and Jackson, to grant the Applicant's requested variances, there being no objection from the Providence Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #090019: Brown University, for the property located at 10 Prospect Street in Providence. ADSFM Richard Silva appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioner Richard, to approve the Applicant's plan of action to reflect the amended timeline of thirty days to submit plans to the Providence Fire Marshal's office and an additional 120 days in which to implement those plans. The Providence Fire Marshal may extend the timeline for good faith efforts on the part of the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060731: Nicky Fernandes, for the property located at 34-36 Benefit Street in Pawtucket. Lt. Steve Parent appeared for the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Dias and Walker, to grant a variance to allow the Applicant to maintain the cited window near the fire escape. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060949: Regarding the property located at 109

Montgomery Street in Pawtucket. Lt. Steve Parent of the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's office advised the Board that this facility had been foreclosed and is no longer owned by the Applicant, Mr. Daniel Crenca. Accordingly, Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook, to close this file. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060950: Regarding the property located at 440-442 Central Avenue, Pawtucket. Lt. Steve Parent of the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's office advised the Board that this facility has been sold. Accordingly, Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook, to close this file. The motion was unanimous.

**Respectfully submitted,
Carol Marsella**